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TITLE: SIPHON FOR SINK OR SIMILAR ELEMENT

Preliminary Amendment: CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar ~~including~~ comprising:  
an upper portion (2) and a ~~pivoting~~ lower portion (3) in pivoting relation, a  
linking means (4) between said lower (3) and upper (2) portions; and  
a sealing joint (5), characterised in that , wherein said linking means (4) ~~comprise:~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_ comprises:~~ at least one hinge (6) enabling said lower portion (3) to pivot ~~round the~~  
around an axis of ~~said the~~ hinge (6) and, ~~which can be dismantled~~ being dismantlable in order to  
separate said lower (3) portion and said upper (2) ~~portions totally;~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ portion; and a locking means (8) between said lower (3) portion and said upper (2)  
portions. formed portion, being comprised of at least one clip (9) at least;  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ said linking means (4) ~~enabling to centre~~ centering said lower portion (3) with said  
upper portion (2) ~~of the water trap (1) and to compress the~~ and compressing a scaling joint (5) when  
both portions (2) and (3) are linked.

2. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to claim 1, wherein the  
~~elements~~ upper portion, lower portion, linking means and sealing joint are ~~snapped~~ snappable  
together forcibly.

3. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to claim 1, wherein the clip (9) comprises a base (13), slaved to one of the lower (3) and upper (2) portions, a stud (14), slaved to the other portion, respectively (2 or 3) and a locking element (15), mounted to pivot with said base (13) and co-operating by means of a stop (16) with said stud (14).

4. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to ~~any of the claims 1 to 3~~, wherein Claim 1, further comprising said a clip (9) and a hinge (5) ~~are provided~~.

5. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to ~~any of the claims 1 to 3~~, wherein Claim 1, further comprising two clips (9) and two hinges (6) ~~are provided~~.

6. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to ~~any of the previous claims 1 to 5~~ Claim 4, wherein said clips (9) and hinges (6) are ~~made~~ comprised of plastic material.

7. (Currently amended) A water trap for a sink or similar according to ~~any of the previous claims~~ Claim 1, wherein the lower (3) and upper (5) portions ~~include~~ comprise embeddable rims ~~enabling to facilitate the centring~~ being facilitatable for centering of the lower (3) and upper (2) portions.

8. (Currently amended) A waste water evacuation device fitted with a water trap according to ~~any of the previous claims 1 to 7~~ Claim 1.